

Our Chaplain Leadership

This year there has been a lot of changes in chaplain leadership in Kansas wing and North Central Region this year. Chaplain Tottingham has moved up to become the Deputy National Chaplain. Taking Dr. T's place is Chaplain James Sickmeyer who has moved up to the NCR Region Chaplain position from being Minnesota Wing Chaplain. In Kansas our beloved Wing Chaplain for the last five years, Chaplain Wolesky, AKA Father John, has decided to slow down a little and retire as Wing Chaplain. Don't worry about seeing Fr. John around, he plans to remain active in CAP. Taking Fr. Johns place is Chaplain Randolph Colby. Remember to call him Randy as Randolph is reserved for the IRS and other official business.

To introduce these men to you we are printing their official biographies and photos below.

Chaplain James A. Sickmeyer

Chaplain (LtCol) James A. Sickmeyer, D.Min, is the Pastor of Worthington Baptist Temple, Worthington, MN. He is currently the North Central Region Chaplain. Sickmeyer is a 1991 Gulf War Veteran having served with the U.S.A.F. Also, while in the Air Force, he served as a Human Relations/Equal Opportunity Non-Commissioned Officer.

In 1993, Chaplain Sickmeyer began his Pastoral Internship while finishing his academic training holding the position of Assistant Pastor at Empire Baptist Temple, Sioux Falls, SD. He was also ordained there in June of 1996

Beside a Bachelor of Theology and Master of Divinity; Sickmeyer holds a Doctor of Ministry degree in Clinical Pasto-



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ral Counseling from Great Plains Baptist Theological Seminary, Sioux Falls, SD.

He is also the Worthington Police Department and Nobles County Sheriffs Chaplain and has been a South Dakota Corrections Chaplain as well as a Minnehaha County Sheriffs Chaplain in Sioux Falls, SD. He has been involved in Chaplaincy work since 1993. Chaplain Sickmeyer is nationally certified to teach advanced Suicide Prevention, Intervention, Postvention and Awareness by the QPR Institute. Additionally, Chaplain Sickmeyer is certified as a Critical Incident Stress Management counselor by the International Critical Stress Foundation and is currently serving as Mental Health Professional on the C.I.S.M. Team for Southwestern Minnesota.

Chaplain Sickmeyer has received numerous medals and awards from both his active duty service with the Air Force as well as the CAP such as: The Air Force Commendation Medal (x2) Air Force Achievement Medal; Air Force Good Conduct Medal (x3); Defense of Korea Medal; Kuwait Liberation Medal; Exceptional Service Medal (x2) Commanders Commendation Medal (x5). In July, 2006, Sickmeyer was awarded the CAP National Squadron Chaplain of the Year award.

Chaplain Sickmeyer has been married to his beloved Malaysian bride, Genie, for nearly 23 years and they have two sons, Joshua 21, and Jonathan, 18. Joshua will graduate this December with a Bachelor of Science in Computer Science and Mathematics. While Jonathan, was recently inducted into the United States Marine Corps, May 27, 2008.

Chaplain Colby

Chaplain Colby, an ordained minister in the Southern Baptist Convention, first entered the ministry in 1979 and was licensed to preach by the Heartland Baptist Church. From 1979 to 1995 he served in various evangelism roles ministering in jails, prisons and nursing homes as well as supplying pulpits throughout the state of Kansas. In 1995 Chaplain Colby entered the pastorate and was ordained to the gospel ministry. He has pastored three churches, 1st Southern Baptist Church of Florence, Kansas, the Central Baptist Church, Coffeyville, Kansas, and presently pastors the South Broadway Baptist Church, in Haysville, Kansas. While pastor of Central, Chaplain Colby served the Coffeyville Ministerial Alliance as chair of the Community Relations Committee.

Chaplain Colby, a native of Wichita, Kansas, is a 1978 graduate of Wichita State University earning a Bachelor of Business Administration Degree. He received his theological training through Baptist Christian College, The Seminary Extension of The Southern Baptist Convention, who awarded him the Diploma in Pastoral Ministries and the Certificate of Christian Training in 1997, and classes from Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has also attended the Kansas Professional Photographers School and has 10 years experience in school, wedding and portrait photography. Today he works for Dillons Supermarket as well as his pastorate.

Chaplain Colby joined CAP in 2001 and received his appointment as a Moral Leadership Officer in June of 2003. His appointment as a chaplain followed in October of 2004. Currently serving with the Emerald City Composite Squadron in Wichita, Kansas he has completed level one training, Cadet Protection Program Training, Squadron Leadership School, The Corporate Learning Course, received a Senior rating as a MLO, and completed both CAP chaplains courses, 221 and 221A earning a masters rating as chaplain. Chaplain Colby graduated from the North Central Region Chaplain Service Staff College in 2006. He has also received the Yeager Award, a Commanders Commendation and in 2008



Chaplain (Capt.) Randolph Colby

was inducted into the North Central Region Chaplain's Order of Honor. Chaplain Colby was selected as Kansas Wing Chaplain of the year for 2005. In emergency services he is qualified as a Mission Chaplain, Mission Aircrew Scanner, Mission Observer, Mission Radio Operator, and Mission Staff Assistant. In addition to being Chaplain for the Emerald City Squadron he became Kansas Wing Chaplain in June of 2008.

Chaplain Colby is the husband of 29 years to the former Jody Luce and has one daughter, Elisabeth who is a graduate of the Berean Academy and is a student at Cowley county Community College.

KUDOS TO OUR REGION COMMANDER!

Recently, National HQ voted to reduce our Chaplain Staff College funding by 50%! Over the years, we've been able to hold these invaluable training sessions because they were adequately funded reducing the out of pocket cost to participants. Upon learning of National HQ's new direction, our Region Commander reached into the Region budget to make up the other half. We are thankful to our great God for giving us another Commander who has a deep care and respect for our NCR Chaplain Service! God bless you Sir!

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Everyone Bring One

How many times have we heard or said in our congregations the phrase "Everyone Bring One". In fact that is how a congregation is built, every member telling his or her friends about our God and inviting them to worship with us. Well the same applies to CAP and our chaplaincy. There is not a chaplain to be found who could not use more help, who could find more time, who could do more if only they had more chaplains and CDIs (aka MLO's). I'm sure everyone of us has dreams of what could be done, and dreams of great ministries. But alas one person can only do so much.

Well guess what there is a way to get more help, to get more done, to build great ministries. That way is recruitment. Everyone bring one, applies to CAP. What if each chaplain recruited just one more chaplain or character development instructor this year? Our ranks would double in only one year. Just imagine what could be done. There are some great things Kansas chaplains can do to minister but it will take more of us. I would like to challenge the chaplains and CDIs of Kansas to rise up and recruit. Everyone recruit one!

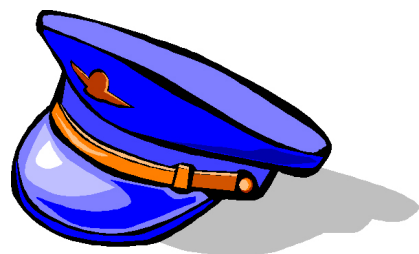


Did You Know?

Did you know that CAP chaplains can assist active duty chaplains? Did you know that all of our military services are short of chaplains? Did you know that you can help our military out in a very real way without leaving home?

Yes all of the above are true. CAP national Headquarters has in place a procedure to follow that would enable you to assist active duty, reserve, and national guard units. Now don't just run out and barge into your local national guard unit. But have you talked to any base chaplains, or national guard Chaplains or commanders and asked if they could use some free assistance that is fully authorized by the Department of Defense? It never hurts to ask.

Remember call ahead and be polite and business like. Be prepared to tell the CAP story and how a CAP chaplain meets the same education and endorsement requirements of an active duty chaplain and have copies of your education and endorsement available for them. What a great ministry you could find.



Should you find any military unit in your area that could use some help contact your CAP wing chaplain who can get you started down the paperwork road. Final approval for military ministry must come from NHQ, but don't be frightened, your wing and region chaplain exist to help you do ministry. After all isn't that why you entered the ministry in the first place?



**But we will bless the LORD from
this time forth and for evermore.
Praise the LORD.
Ps 115:18**